

I urge the agency to RETAIN the prohibition against in-flight cell phone use. I fly for work and to vacation destinations. Listening to loud and often crude conversations is unpleasant even in an open setting. Being subjected to such conduct in a captive seat at 35,000 feet would be torturous. Typical cell phone behavior will undoubtedly result in difficult and potentially dangerous situations for flight attendants and passengers alike. Whether its the self-styled hard driving business person who demands that he or she must "conduct business" or the mindless chit chat of others, a cabin full of such "conversation" would be unbearable, in my view. No conversation is of such high importance so as to compromise the safety and comfort of the passengers and crew. I saw one man get violent when he was asked to put his seat-back up for landing. And that was for his own safety! I can't imagine the reaction of that guy had he been told to quiet a phone conversation. A truly important call can be made on the sky-phone, the expense of which provides quite an efficient means of limiting unnecessary, intrusive talk.